TOUCHING LIVES
WE HAVE ALWAYS HAD THE PROUD TRADITION at KU of supporting the communities around us by volunteering for a wide variety of activities. As the last issue of the Tower for this school year, it is important to take time once again to highlight the outstanding work our students, faculty, and staff have done throughout the year.

In this issue you will find articles about Kutztown students volunteering as tutors in after-school programs, preparing food for the elderly, or helping to build new homes for the needy. Student organizations also raise money for special causes and create service projects that support individuals and families.

On campus, the “Walking in the Shoes of...” program introduces disadvantaged high school students to the importance and accessibility of higher education.

And our alumni are involved as well. This issue takes a look at a unique program that turns community volunteers into weekend farmers who grow fresh produce for the kitchens of those less fortunate.

Though they do not wear badges that proclaim “I am a KU volunteer,” these students, faculty, and alumni are the goodwill ambassadors for us all, working every day to make the world a better place in which to live.

F. Javier Cevallos
President
The Joy of Giving
Each year, KU students volunteer to lend a helping hand, raise funds for important charities, dedicate their spring break to special community projects, and discover life-changing experiences in the process.

Making the Most of an Opportunity
Student tutors travel to the Opportunity House in Reading, Pa., to provide a special opportunity for elementary children at the Second Street Learning Center.

Giving through Growing
One KU alumnus has formed a non-profit program that transforms volunteers into weekend farmers who help to grow vegetables to feed the less fortunate.

Honoring the Legacy of Frederick Douglass
This KU institute promotes Frederick Douglass’ passion for education and social equality.

The Sporting Life
Longtime wrestling coach Dan Hinkel receives honors; KU recognizes first PSAC East men’s basketball title and then wins another; Golden Bears football schedule; and more!

Alumni Plaza: The Story Behind the Bricks

Under the Tower

Class Notes

Hindsight Revealed
Grabbing a burger in the dining hall, finishing a paper in the library, e-mailing professors, and working out in the student recreation center are just some of the many activities that can dominate a student’s schedule. But there is more to life than just work, study, and play.

At KU, many students volunteer their time to help others. Some join groups to raise money for special causes, others spend their spring break helping to build a new house, and some serve breakfast to the less fortunate, while even more volunteers work as teachers and tutors. Whatever the task, and wherever the need, KU students can be found lending their youthful vitality, a willing hand, and a caring heart to the cause.

On campus there are many opportunities for students to get involved as a community volunteer, and a good place to start is the Community Outreach Center in the McFarland Student Union. There, volunteers and coordinators match student skills with community needs.

A LITTLE HELP
Big Brother/Big Sister at KU began in 1996. Since then, the students have created their own special name for the program: the “Club of Unmatched Littles” or COUL, pairing at-risk children, or “littles,” with positive KU role models.

Volunteers with the Big Brother/Big Sister program bring these children to campus several times a year to enjoy a full menu of recreational and educational activities. During these events, the children meet with their KU big brothers and sisters to learn social skills, work on their homework, or just have fun.

Timothy McArther ’11 said being a big brother has taught him a lot about working with children.

“COUL influenced me to be more open with kids. And as I watched the kids grow, it’s nice to see the changes in their lives. Plus, it’s very relaxing after a long day of school to go to a Big Brother/Big Sister event and see the children.”

AN AFTER-SCHOOL TREAT
The Kid’s Café program also caters to children. Held in the Salvation Army Building in Reading, KU students stop by after school once a week to help elementary students with their homework and to serve them a nutritious meal.

Samantha Mateyka ’10, a special education major, said the Kid’s Café provided her with a unique insight into the lives of inner city youth and a special teaching experience.

“Working with these children opened up my eyes,” she said. “The program made me realize that I really wanted to teach.”

HELP IS NEAR
The Neighborhood Education and Recreation (NEAR) centers of Reading is a network of volunteer organizations that meet in various neighborhoods throughout the city and is designed to engage the community in socially and educationally enriching activities. At these centers, KU student volunteers can be found working as mentors, coaches, and teachers.

One unique NEAR program is “Motivated Moms.” Directed toward Spanish-speaking mothers, students from Kutztown tutor adult learners in English and teach them how to use the computer to find a job and write a resume. Other students volunteer to babysit children while their mothers are taking classes.

At the Reading Boys and Girls Club, a

Students under the direction of professor Jim Chaney, Department of Art Education and Crafts, set their hands to the pottery wheel and create dozens of bowls for sale in the Souper Bowl benefit for Opportunity House each spring. Pictured are: Danica Rickards ’09, Greg McIvaine ’10, and Chaney.

For the past six years, the hard-working students in Up ‘til Dawn have raised more than $10,000 a year for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This year’s total proudly stands at $10,408.07. Back row, left to right: Alysha Royer ’09, Candace Steinhofer ’09, Veronica Stefura ’08; second row, Jackie Kampf ’09, Seth Tomlinson ’08; front row, Aly Komyanke ’09, and Jenn Woodward ’09.

Students from the Off Campus Advisory Council planted seven white pines and three eastern hemlocks in Kutztown Park during 2008 Arbor Day activities. Pictured are Aaron Schultz ’10 and Tara Beretsy ’08, who was the coordinator for the event.
NEAR affiliate, KU students help prepare nutritious meals for nearly 40 children and assist them with their homework.

And through Friend Inc., students work in a soup kitchen in Reading.

“In February, I joined with seven other students to help out at the Kennedy House in Reading,” said Matt Washington ’10. “We prepared and served food to 148 people in just one day.

“I think we are all aware there is poverty and need in our communities,” he said of his experience, “but we are never aware of the full extent of that need until we are in a similar situation ourselves, or see it up close.”

BREAKING FROM SPRING BREAK

While many KU students are busy with volunteer activities throughout the semester, others elect to go the extra mile and sign up for Alternative Spring Break, a weeklong service program that takes students to volunteer projects throughout the nation.

Alternative Spring Break was launched at KU in 1994 and has been picking up steam ever since. In recent years, an average of 48 undergraduate and graduate students enlist each spring to work as program assistants on building and maintenance projects, as shelter volunteers, and in other activities that require strong hands and youthful vigor.

Here is just a sampling of activities students participated in this spring:

• Students traveled to Baltimore, Md., and helped to build new classrooms.
• In Washington, D.C., volunteers assisted Food and Friends, an organization devoted to providing and delivering food to elderly and terminally ill residents.
• On Assateague Island, Md., Kutztown students assisted with the reconstruction and maintenance of Assateague State Park and campgrounds.
• In Staten Island, N.Y., volunteers joined forces with Faith and Action, an organization that maintains a 24-hour AIDS/health clinic, food pantry, and soup kitchen.
• KU students traveled to Ohio and Virginia to work with Habitat for Humanity carpenters on the construction of a house for a low income family.

“The Alternative Spring Break taught us how to work together as a group, and we learned more about ourselves in the process,” said Amanda Keith ’09, an English and cultural anthropology major.

HAVING FUN RAISING FUNDS

Though there are several student-run philanthropic groups raising money for special causes, Up ‘til Dawn has made a name for itself as one of the most visible programs on campus. And it is one of the most ambitious.

For the past six years, these hard-working students have held fundraisers, placed donation cans, sold key chains and t-shirts, and raised more than $10,000 a year for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This past year’s total proudly stands at $10,408.07.

In another unique fundraising event, students under the direction of Jim Chaney, Department of Art Education and Crafts, set their hands to the pottery wheel and create dozens of bowls for sale in the Souper Bowl benefit for Opportunity House in Reading, a community outreach center. While hundreds of hand-crafted bowls from schools, artists, and amateurs are donated and auctioned during this annual event, the beautifully glazed bowls made by KU students often become the first choice for many.

“Like many volunteer activities in which students participate, the Souper Bowl is a win-win proposition, in that the students develop additional skills with more time on task, while assisting a community non-profit agency with its mission,” Chaney said.

Other volunteer programs on campus include the Issues of Health program that holds blood drives and walks for cancer, AIDS and diabetes research; Special Needs, which benefits at-risk youth and Special Olympics athletes; and the Student Off-Campus Advisory Council, which spruces up Kutztown Borough each April by planting trees in the community park.

KU students also go into the community to collect clothing for resale and shovel snow. Together, these volunteers make an unbeatable team whose goal is simply to improve the lives of others.

Alternative Spring Break provides students with the opportunity to learn new skills while working at exciting community projects. Pictured left to right are: Amanda Keith ’09, Emily Plumb ’10, Brian Newsham ’08, and Angela Daubert ’09.

Angela Daubert ’09 tutors at the Kids Café offered through the Salvation Army center in Reading, Pa.
One of the first things you notice as you turn onto North Second Street from Buttonwood Street in Reading is that the road appears to come to a dead end. Dominating the street are some friendly looking row homes on the right, and on the left sits the Opportunity House community outreach center. At the end of the street is an elevated railroad bed, with no apparent crossing point.

At 3:30 p.m. on any weekday, the street is cluttered with vehicles as parents drop off their children for the after-school activities held at the Second Street Learning Center, housed in the basement of the outreach center.

The traffic snarls and passage seems impossible. There is no turning back. But when you work through the line of cars, buses, and minivans, you find that Second Street actually loops around the back of Opportunity House and rejoins the main highway one block away. It is a fitting metaphor for the lives that are turned around through help from the outreach center.

Over the last two semesters, volunteer tutors from the KU student chapter of the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA) have made this journey, leaving the tree-lined Kutztown campus, to venture into the heart of Reading to assist the elementary students with their homework.

Christine Bradbury ’09, PSEA student chapter president, said she volunteered to teach in the city in order to gain experience in a setting that no college classroom could provide. More than just an after-school homework service, Opportunity House offers a safe haven for children during the hours when their parents may still be working. The activities KU students participate in are not limited to reading, writing, and arithmetic.

“We took a survey of the students in PSEA, and many said they were interested in tutoring, so we began our after-school tutoring program at Opportunity House last fall,” said Bradbury.

The Second Street Learning Center is made up of many little classrooms tucked here and there with gaily-painted walls decorated with posters and colorful educational fliers. Children filter into the rooms, noisy and boisterous as any group of second, third, and fourth graders can be after a day in school.

Elementary and special education major Katie Saylor ’08 helps Daniel Rincon with a homework assignment at the Second Street Learning Center in Reading.
As the KU students arrive ready to teach one-on-one, it becomes immediately evident that the kids treat their KU tutors as their own big sisters, talking with them about everything and anything on their minds. In addition to helping the children with their homework, the KU tutors supervise the playground activities and have pitched in to donate much needed supplies including pencils, books, and holiday gifts.

Elena Castilla ’10 and Katie Saylor ’08, student teachers for the day, settle the students and begin the task of working on homework. One young boy fidgets over a page of math exercises. Castilla suggests a possible new approach to the problem, and then a light bulb goes off, and the correct answer comes out with a smile. It is these “ah-ha” moments that student teachers live for.

“I really enjoy getting to know the kids and the feeling that I have helped them. Many of these kids have tough lives, and having difficulty with their homework is the least of their worries,” said Castilla. “So it is also a lot of fun to just ask them questions about school and who their friends are, and just let them be kids.”

According to Modesto Fiume, president of Opportunity House, the Second Street Learning Center began approximately 13 years ago in response to a need of the families from the surrounding communities. Emeriti KU professors of education T. Kelley Neyhart, Jr. and Dr. Susan A. Miller assisted with setting up the project. At that time, the agency was called the Reading-Berks Emergency Shelter, but has since changed its name to Opportunity House to better represent all the programs the facility offers. Over the years, there have been numerous groups of student teachers from KU volunteer to offer an extra pair of hands during a very busy time of day.

“The staff of Opportunity House really appreciates the tutoring efforts of these students,” Fiume said. “We are all trying to get as much done as we can with limited resources, and I think the experience with the elementary students is good for the KU students as well.”

Castilla agrees. She said tutoring for the learning center has reconfirmed her dedication to teaching and makes her excited about starting a new career.

“Although I have learned a lot of new skills while tutoring at the Opportunity House, the most important thing I have learned is that I definitely want to be a teacher,” she said. “Any doubts I may have had about my future in the profession vanished when I first sat down to work with the children.”
For one KU alumnus, giving green means more than opening his wallet and pulling out a few bills. Chip Paillex ’89 has literally taken to the fields to develop Grow-a-Row.org, a new concept in community service that brings volunteers back to the earth to plant, grow, and harvest home-grown vegetables for the tables of needy families throughout New Jersey.

Created by Paillex in 2002, Grow-a-Row.org matches volunteers with area farmers, who donate land for the bountiful harvest of goodwill and fresh produce. An organizer by nature, and an entrepreneur at heart, Paillex saw the potential that more hands and more land could bring, and he set out to create a structure where anyone could help.

In 2007, his 100 percent volunteer program, with 450 members, delivered more than 115,000 pounds of just-picked vegetables to food banks and food pantries, across the state.

“It is surprising for many of us to learn the extent of need in our country,” Paillex said. “With so much food on the shelves, it is hard to believe that a large portion of our society cannot afford basic nutrition.”

Paillex graduated from KU with a degree in marketing and began working for Unilever in both the sales and marketing departments. Leveraging the lessons he learned at Kutztown into a successful career, Paillex set his sights on applying this expertise to community service. But he wanted to become more involved than simply raising money for a special cause.

“We can all be equally successful in both our careers as well as giving back to the community,” Paillex said.

Seven years ago, he saw a notice from the Flemington Food Pantry requesting area gardeners to donate their excess produce. He dug out his shovel, cleaned off his hoe, pulled on his boots, and went to work in the back yard, growing nearly $3,000 of produce for the pantry that year.

In the fourth year of his operation, he joined with a local farmer in Hunterdon County, who donated extra land and seed, and formed a small band of volunteer farmers to grow what turned out to be tons of tomatoes, squash, corn, and green peppers.

As this hands-on approach to community service began to attract more and more attention from the neighbors, Paillex set his organizational skills into high gear and created a new strategy that would entice churches, non-profit groups, and individuals to the planting beds.

The next year, families from Paillex’s church, Bethlehem Presbyterian, agreed to “own” a garden for one week at a time. Church volunteers would be responsible for the watering and weeding, as well as the harvest and delivery of any produce they grew during their week on the job. In addition, the volunteers gleaned the farmer’s fields for corn left behind after big harvesting machines made their pass, often picking as much as 1,000 pounds at a time.

“By the end of the 2005 season, with all the groups combined, we netted about 14,000 pounds of produce,” Paillex said.

This summer, if you tour the Grow-a-Row.org gardens, you will find all ages of helpers, from toddlers planting seeds, to older volunteers packing and delivering the cases of food. Inner city youth also travel to the vegetable farm and work alongside seniors from area group homes, both enjoying the good “clean” fun that comes from working the earth.

“We owe it to our youth to teach and prepare them to be benevolent at an early age, so that they can manage a healthy balance of caring as they grow and mature,” Paillex said.

For his efforts, Paillex was presented with the 2007 National Jefferson Award for public service and received special recognition from the local food bank. In 2008, he also was named volunteer of the year by The United Way of Hunterdon County.

Last year, the New Jersey secretary of agriculture paid a visit to the gardens, and there is talk of making Grow-a-Row.org a national initiative. Paillex’s next challenge is to raise $300,000 to secure permanent land and roll out the program nationally.

“Grow-a-Row is a unique, hands-on opportunity for people to participate by sharing and giving back to those who might be less fortunate than themselves,” he said.
The Grow-a-Row.org program attracts many volunteers who deliver the freshly grown produce to food pantries and food banks across the state of New Jersey.

Volunteers of all ages help in the Grow-a-Row.org gardens. Pictured are Paige Ashey and Kyra Paillex, daughter of Chip Paillex ’89, who founded the organization.

**About Grow-a-Row**

**Founded:** 2004

**Largest yield to date:** 115,000 pounds of fresh produce in 2007

**Goal for 2008:** 250,000 pounds

**Mission statement:**
- To provide food for the hungry
- Donate healthy food
- Support local farms
- Educate about farmland preservation
- Advocate for farmers
- Raise awareness about hunger and poverty
- Reduce waste by gleaning
- Teach children about hunger and nutrition
- Provide volunteer opportunities for people of all ages and abilities

**Web site:** [www.grow-a-row.org](http://www.grow-a-row.org)

For more information or to volunteer, contact Chip Paillex at chip.paillex.growarow@gmail.com or call (908) 331-2962.
One of Frederick Douglass’ most prominent beliefs was that the true liberation of the slaves would be gained through education. Douglass, a self-educated slave, escaped to freedom and became one of the strongest voices for the abolition of slavery in the years leading up to the American Civil War. Later in life, as a statesman, journalist, publisher, and orator, he advocated for equality through “virtue, temperance, truth, liberty, and justice.”

For the last six years, the KU Frederick Douglass Institute (FDI) has worked on campus to encourage open discussion on the many issues that divide American society today. This unique program also extends a helping hand to disadvantaged youth and introduces them to the value of higher education.

The FDI is a collaborative effort with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education to promote multiculturalism, following in the legacy of Frederick Douglass, whose commitment to education and social equality serves as a model for the program.

Throughout the academic year, the institute promotes scholarly research on multicultural topics, facilitates dialogue around issues of cultural diversity, develops multicultural programs and courses, encourages awareness of cultural diversity, and fosters mutual understanding and mutual respect for diverse cultures.

“At Kutztown, the FDI also focuses on promoting multicultural ideals through interaction with the surrounding community,” said Dr. Maria Sanelli, associate professor of history and director of the Frederick Douglass Institute at KU.

Each year, the institute brings a scholar from outside the KU community to contribute to the program. The scholar-in-residence for the 2007-08 academic year was Dr. Nathaniel Williams, CEO of ChildFirst Services Inc., which operates small group residences, supervised independent living, and treatment foster care for children in Bethlehem, Pa. He traveled to KU several times a week to provide lectures, lead the discussion series, and organize the new “Walking in the Shoes of...” program.

Williams holds a master in public administration from Cheyney University and a doctorate in education from Fielding Graduate University. During his childhood, he spent 13 years in the New York City foster care system, and has dedicated his life to underprivileged children, and foster care children in particular.
Williams created the “Walking in the Shoes of...” program to encourage children toward higher education. At a time in life when parents help their children to select a college or university, many foster care children do not even consider college, university, or trade school options. So for one full day, “Walking in the Shoes of...” introduces foster care and disadvantaged youth to university life.

“If Frederick Douglas were alive today, he would be primarily concerned with education,” Williams said. “And his focus would be on society’s youth, specifically helping them to access education.”

This year, the students toured the campus, met university students, professors, and administrators, and shook hands with the mayor of Kutztown. During a special luncheon in honor of their academic and personal achievements, these high school juniors and seniors from area group homes, regional high schools, and foster care facilities were encouraged to follow their dreams.

“It was a great experience, and the students are still talking about it,” Sanelli said.

The “Walking in the Shoes of...” program is just one of the many activities designed by the institute to stimulate change. The FDI also provides opportunities for scholarship, as well as a positive interaction. Through a discussion series, students and faculty members explore tough topics outside the classroom.

“The FDI is a wonderful tool for building a sense of community and providing an opportunity for a wider exchange of ideas,” said Williams, who conducted this year’s series.

The institute also recognizes academic excellence by presenting awards to faculty, administrators, staff, and students who have encouraged underrepresented students to fulfill their educational goals; promoted research in fields related to multiculturalism; worked to incorporate multicultural themes into the curriculum; and validated educational efforts toward building an inclusive university community.

And the program sponsors road trips to sites that honor Frederick Douglass, encouraging further scholarly research about a man whose life and work fundamentally changed the way a nation thought.

“By encouraging an open environment for discussion and research, the Frederick Douglass Institute provides a unique setting to examine our social heritage, and in the process, enriches all who participate,” said Sanelli.

For more information go to: www.kutztown.edu/academics/douglass/Programs.htm

About Frederick Douglass

Born in 1818, Frederick Douglass learned to read from literate white children in his neighborhood and gained knowledge by reading all the books he could find. After escaping to freedom disguised as a sailor in 1838, he immediately became involved in the abolitionist movement in the North.

At the young age of 23, Douglass gave his first official speech at the Massachusetts Anti-Slavery Society annual convention. Douglass went on to tour Europe and publish a series of newspapers, the most popular of which was The North Star. Douglass was not only an advocate for the abolition of slavery, but believed that all people should benefit from equality. He fought with conviction for the desegregation of schools, women’s rights, and the fair treatment of black soldiers, Native Americans, and recent immigrants.

Douglass held many prestigious titles during his career including president of the Reconstruction-era Freedman’s Savings Bank, marshal of the District of Colombia, United States minister and consul general to the Republic of Haiti, and charge d’affaires for the Dominican Republic. He died in 1895.
In February, KU recognized the 20th anniversary of its first Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Men’s Basketball Championship. Less than a month later, KU got its second. The 1987-88 Kutztown University men’s basketball season was a magical one, to say the least. The team became the first to win the regular-season PSAC East title. The previous championships for the men’s basketball team, in 1917, 1919, and 1936, predated the formation of the PSAC in the early 1950s.

Led by head coach Rick Binder and future KU Athletics Hall of Fame inductees Butch Hills ’90 and Marty Eggleston, the team finished with a record of 10-2 in division play. After falling in the PSAC Championship game, and the first round of the NCAA Playoffs, the team had won a record 21 games that season.

Members of the team gathered at Kutztown for a 20th anniversary reunion on February 2 and joined with coaches to be recognized during halftime of the game against Cheyney.

Although Kutztown lost that game, the Golden Bears lost only one more division game to clinch the program’s second-ever PSAC East title in 2008.

KU officially claimed a share of the East crown in March, defeating East Stroudsburg to finish the season 10-2 in league play and tied with Cheyney atop the standings. The 10 conference wins matched a school record, set in 1962 and 1988.

KU entered the PSAC playoffs as the No. 2 seed from the East and hosted a first-round playoff game against Millersville, but the Golden Bears fell to the Marauders 99-88. ✮
Longtime Wrestling Coach Dan Hinkel Receives Honors

BY JOSH LEIBOFF ’98

Former Kutztown University wrestling head coach and current assistant coach Dan Hinkel has been recognized for a lifetime of service to the sport of wrestling.

Hinkel was awarded an honorary lifetime membership in the National Wrestling Coaches Association in conjunction with the 2008 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division I Championships in St. Louis, Mo. In May, Hinkel received a Lifetime Service to Wrestling Award by the Pennsylvania Chapter of the National Wrestling Hall of Fame.

He was one of four to receive the NWCA’s lifetime memberships this year, while he was one of eight to receive the wrestling hall of fame’s service award.

Hinkel has been involved with the wrestling program since the 1960s. He served as KU’s head coach for two stints — 1965-1972 and 1989-1996. He had a career record of 124-83-6. He was 45-43-4 in his first campaign and found great success in his second round of coaching, going 79-40-2 with top five finishes at the NCAA Division II Regionals in five consecutive seasons, from 1992 to 1996.

In his final year as head coach in 1996, he led the Golden Bears to their best finish at regionals in the program’s history. KU went 11-2 during the season and finished second.

In between and since his head coaching stints, Hinkel has served as assistant coach for five other head coaches, including current head coach Robert Fisher.

In 2003, Hinkel was inducted into KU’s Hall of Fame. He also is a member of Lock Haven University and the PSAC Wrestling halls of fame.

KU head baseball coach Chris Blum became the fastest collegiate baseball coach in Pennsylvania to reach 200 career wins, attaining the milestone in the Golden Bears’ 4-3 win over California (Pa.) on March 14 at the Savannah, Ga., invitational.

He reached 200 wins in his 279th game, eclipsing the mark of Mansfield University head coach Harry Hillson, who recorded his 200th win in his 314th game in 1993.

“This is a testament to all of the guys who have played baseball at KU,” said Blum, who is in his sixth season as head coach. “The players are the ones who got the 200 wins, I had little to do with it.”

The Golden Bears have qualified for the NCAA playoffs in each of Blum’s first seven years, winning the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference title in 2005, 2006, and 2008 and advancing to the NCAA Division II World Series in 2004 and 2007.

2008 KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

KU

AUGUST

Thurs. 28 ST. ANSELM 6:05 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Sat. 6 CLARION 3:35 p.m.
Sat. 13 at Slippery Rock 6:00 p.m.
Sat. 20 *at Bloomsburg 1:00 p.m.
Sat. 27 *WEST CHESTER (family day) 1:05 p.m.

OCTOBER

Sat. 4 *at Cheyney 1:00 p.m.
Sat. 11 *SHIPPENSBURG 1:05 p.m.
Sat. 18 *at East Stroudsburg noon
Sat. 25 *MILLERSVILLE (homecoming) 1:05 p.m.

NOVEMBER

Sat. 1 *C.W. POST 1:05 p.m.
Sat. 8 #at Indiana (PA) 1:00 p.m.

*home games in BOLD CAPS
*PSAC East game

# opponent may change if either team wins division title.
Radio Schedule: All 11 games will be aired on WEEU, 830-AM.
Visit kubears.com for a complete listing of athletic schedules
The Alumni Plaza is paved with bricks inscribed with the names of alumni and friends of the university. Some of the bricks also include special words of encouragement to future generations. Such is the case for the brick of Karen Kleffel ’73 which states: “Your door to opportunity is here.”

As senior vice president and managing director of Support Services/Wealth Compliance for National Penn Investors Trust Company in Wyomissing, Pa., Kleffel said earning her bachelor’s degree in education opened many doors that led to a successful career in business.

Kleffel offers this advice to our students: “My own life has taken me down a road with detours, speed bumps, and stop signs, but in the end, the trip has been worth it.”

“When I arrived at Kutztown State College, I had a career and life plan. While my original plan to teach math did not work out, I don’t feel as though my education degree was wasted. I ended up in the business world, and after all, what is a manager but a teacher, a motivator, an organizer?”

“My formal education prepared me well for my future endeavors and created a whole set of new opportunities for me.

“I believe we are all the sum of our collective life experiences. If I have learned anything in this life, it is that opportunity is everywhere; you just need to look for it. I have a poster in my office. It is the picture of a window with the curtains drawn back and the windows thrown open. I think of it as a ‘window of opportunity.’ The first thing you must do is look out the window. Opportunity comes in many forms and sometimes, you may not recognize an opportunity when you see it. Once you recognize the opportunity and decide to go for it, don’t let anyone dissuade you from your goal; seek advice and counsel, but don’t give up what you know is right for you.

“Once you realize your goal, strive for continuous improvement. No matter how good you are, you can always do better. And finally, ‘pay it forward’ and provide opportunities for others to reach their goals.

“Kutztown University provided me with the opportunity to grow, and I hope I can continue to support the educational pursuits of others.”

If you are interested in purchasing a brick for inscription in the Alumni Plaza, call the Office of Development at 610-683-1394, and please visit the plaza the next time you are at KU.
Children’s Institute Receives Funding and Rolls out New Magazine

State Senator Michael O’Pake and State Representative Samuel Rohrer presented a $45,000 check to Craig Hafer, chairperson of the Pennsylvania Institute for Children's Environmental Health (PICEH), and President Cevallos. Pictured are: Hafer, Sen. O’Pake, President Cevallos, and Rep. Rohrer.

Actress Rosie Perez Encourages Students to Become Involved

Rosie Perez, Academy Award-nominated actress, choreographer, director, and activist spoke at KU in March in Schaeffer Auditorium on the topic of “Women as Activists.”

Known for her film work, including an Oscar nomination for her performance in “Fearless,” Perez has won numerous awards for her contributions to organizations such as Gay Men's Health Crisis and The Latino Commission on AIDS. In Puerto Rico, Perez was a member of Women for Justice and Peace.

Perez encouraged KU students to get involved with issues important to women in their community and in their lives.

The event was co-sponsored by the Multicultural Center, President’s Office, Social Equity, Areyto Project, Student Alliance for Learning Success and Achievement, Association of Campus Events, Office of Human Diversity, the Women’s Center, and Diversity Fest.
Charles Wagonhurst’s tin shop was located at 16 Greenwich St., Kutztown. Pictured are some of the tools of the trade donated to the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center.

Wagonhurst Tin Collection Donated to Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center

The Wagonhurst collection of tinsmith tools, machinery, and patterns used by four generations of Kutztown tinsmiths has been donated to the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center (PGCHC) at Kutztown University.

The collection, which will help to further educate students and the public on the Pennsylvania German culture, was originally owned by Charles Wagonhurst of Kutztown.

Charles Wagonhurst’s tin shop was located at 16 Greenwich St., Kutztown. The business passed out of the Wagonhurst family when Charles Wagonhurst, due to failing eyesight, sold his business to Roy Daniel in 1973. Daniel moved the tin collection to Harpers Ferry, W.Va., and over the next 20 years, used the tools to demonstrate traditional tin making methods and to create reproductions of early tin ware. Two of his pieces are on display in the Smithsonian Institute.

In 1996, Daniel retired from the tin business and moved to Maine taking the tin collection with him. The tin collection eventually ended up in a storage facility outside of San Diego, Calif. It was then that Arlen Wagonhurst, a nephew of Charles, discovered the collection when it was being sold by Joan Myers, Daniel’s stepdaughter. Wagonhurst contacted Dr. Robert Reynolds, director of the PGCHC. Both were extremely interested in bringing this wandering collection back to Kutztown.

In 2006, Doris Brunt, another relation to the Wagonhurts, offered to purchase the collection for the PGCHC, and it was shipped from California to Kutztown.

Reynolds hopes to eventually re-create the original Wagonhurst tin shop, including the installation of the original charcoal stove, to use in teaching classes on traditional Pennsylvania German tin making methods. A major portion of the collection is on display in the basement of the 1871 bank barn at the center.

The PGCHC is located on 20 acres of Kutztown University’s campus. It features a stone farm house, summer kitchen, bank barn, one-room schoolhouse, two reconstructed log houses, and a genealogical, historical, and cultural library.
Bill Bradley and Jeb Bush Visited KU for the 2008 Decision Makers Forum

Former New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley and former Florida Governor Jeb Bush (pictured) visited KU in March as the featured speakers for the 19th Annual Kutztown University Decision Makers Forum.

Bush and Bradley’s discussion of the political scene and the 2008 election was moderated by Dr. Roger Whitcomb, KU professor emeritus, and attracted students and members of the community to this special event held in Keystone Hall.

Previous Decision Makers Forum speakers include Lady Margaret Thatcher, Michael Eisner, Tim Russert, President George H. W. Bush, and General Colin L. Powell (ret.).

The Decision Makers Forum offers a unique opportunity for business leaders, community members, friends of the university, and KU students to hear national leaders of business, industry, politics, and education speak on important topics relevant to today’s events.

Ellen Finks and the KU Performing Artists Series Recognized with State Proclamation

Ellen Finks, Department of Music and director of cultural affairs, was recognized for 20 years of success with, and service to, the Kutztown University Performing Artists Series through a proclamation from the Pennsylvania Senate as presented by Senator Michael A. O’Pake during a special ceremony in February in Schaeffer Auditorium.

The Performing Artists Series’ diverse programming, a result of Finks’ directorship, ranges from classical music and theatre to jazz, dance, comedy, and avant garde performances and has garnered the support of audiences from around the campus and throughout the surrounding communities. The state honor also extended to the Children’s Series which began in 1995, and brings internationally acclaimed children’s actors, performers, and musicians to campus.

Dr. Prudence S. Precourt Named Vice President for Advancement

In February, Dr. Prudence S. Precourt was named vice president for university advancement.

She is responsible for all advancement activities at the university including development, alumni relations, university relations, cultural affairs, conference services, and the Pennsylvania German Cultural Heritage Center. She serves as the executive director of the KU Foundation Inc., a private corporation established as the fundraising agency of the university.

Precourt, who has a long history of successful fundraising experience in organizations of higher education and non-profit, comes to KU from the Ripon Medical Center in Ripon, Wis. During fiscal year 2006-2007, as executive vice president of the RMC Foundation at Ripon, she and her team of volunteers, board, and staff members increased total philanthropic giving by 63.1 percent.

Prior to RMC, Precourt was the senior managing partner for Verdon Precourt Associates from 2000-2005 and worked to raise more than $5.6 million in one year for the Experimental Aircraft Association.

As the vice president of legislative affairs and advancement at Southwest State University from 1998-2000, Precourt designed and operated the first comprehensive fundraising operation for the university.

Precourt was the first woman to serve as vice chancellor for university relations and development at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke from 1992-1998, and she was the first female vice president of institutional advancement at Wesley College in Dover, Del, from 1988-1992.

From 1983-1986 and 1986-1988, Precourt served as the associate director of annual support/special programs of Marquette University, and as the director of development of the Ham Museum of Art at the University of Florida, respectively.

She is a Certified Fund Raising Executive, and earned her bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees from the University of Wisconsin in Milwaukee.
Dr. Carole Wells Appointed Vice Provost of Academic Affairs

Dr. Carole Wells ’91 (M.A.) has been named vice provost of academic affairs for Kutztown University and will aid the provost in coordinating and providing academic support for the colleges and schools of the university.

Before taking this position, Wells held the title of associate dean for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences at KU for four years. Prior to that, she taught psychology at the university for eight years.

In addition to co-authoring the book, “Service-Learning Code of Ethics,” Wells has presented and published on the pedagogy of service-learning and power, trust, strategies of influence, and leadership in organizations. She has served on numerous boards, including the KU Foundation and Alumni boards, the Board of Directors for Habitat for Humanity, Berks County Senior Citizen’s Council Advisory Board, the American Association of University Women, the Pennsylvania Institute for Children’s Environmental Health, and served as chair of the Middle States Steering Committee.

Wells received a B.A. in psychology from LaSalle University and an M.A. in counseling psychology from KU in 1991. She also earned an M.S. and Ph.D in social psychology from Temple University.

2008-2009

Kutztown University Performing Artists Series

PRESENTS:

Thursday, Sept. 25 • Forbidden Broadway
Thursday, Oct. 30 • The Capitol Steps
Tuesday, Nov. 18 • Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir and Tallinn Chamber Orchestra
Thursday, Jan. 15 • Blue Grass All-star Jam
Sunday, Feb. 22 • Ragamala Indian Dance Company with Wadaiko Tokara
There will be a special pre-performance Indian dinner for this event.
Wednesday, April 1 • Giordano Jazz Dance Chicago
To be held in conjunction with Berks JazzFest

Children’s Series

Sunday, Nov. 2 • Red Grammer
Saturday, Jan. 24 • Missoula Children’s Theatre presents The Princess and the Pea
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1940s

1942

William (Bill) Wewer traveled to Australia and New Zealand with the California Retired Teachers Association. He is pictured here arriving in Tauranga, New Zealand.

Carl Frey Constein has published many books: “Born to Fly the Hump,” “Orchestra Left, Row T,” “Sadie’s Place,” “Tales of the Himalayas,” “War Memories/Civilian Musings,” “Missing the Himalayas,” and “Manuscript Missing.” All are available as signed copies by contacting Constein at 610-927-8753.

1950s

1955

We travel! John and Alice (Britto) DiMeglio have been traveling extensively across the U.S., also to Spain, Puerto Rico, Dominican Republic, the Bahamas, and the Virgin Islands. John continues to research baseball history, and Alice is a substitute teacher who does considerable community volunteer service.

1959

Shirley Platt is employed by Lehigh Carbon Community College and is teaching ABE/GED classes with CareerLink. She is also an organist and choir director in a small Methodist church in Hellertown.

1960s

1961

Patricia Hoffman (’61 & ’66) participates in Epcot’s Christmas Candlelight Choir every December. This year the choir was joined by TV star Neil Patrick Harris, who narrated the processional. Hoffman is pictured to the right of Harris.

1962

June (DeFranco) Marvel retired on Jan. 1 after 22 years as a professional Girl Scout. She spent 12 years with the Dutchess County Girl Scout Council as a field director and adult training manager in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., then 10 and a half years with the Arizona Cactus Pine Council in Phoenix as an adult training manager.

1963

Jacquen (Jackie Cheney) Moseley entered Officer Training School in the USAF after graduation from KU. She served until she married and resigned her commission. She then relocated to Houston, Texas where she accepted employment with the Texas Employment Commission. In 1992, Moseley accepted an assignment with the agency as area manager in Midland, Texas, where she eventually retired from 32 years of service. Moseley is now living in Albuquerque, N.M.

1964

Jeffery Dorn retired in 2004 after 32 years with the Xerox Corporation. He teaches adult Bible class at Ahavat Olam Synagogue in Miami, Fla. He also founded “Cinema Tuesdays,” an ongoing film festival at Florida International University.

1967

Nancy S. (Schramm) Pittock is involved with the Kimberton International Folk Dancers and the Charlestown Historical Society. She still sings in the church choir and joined the Phoenixville Area Senior Center.

1968

Six KU alumni and their families went on a photo safari in Kenya, Africa in November 2007. The graduates are pictured at the equator (left to right): Felice Marrongelle ’69, Judith Bennett-Marrongelle ’69, Ann (Stephenson) Frankl ’72, Bruce Weidenhammer ’68, Joe Frankl ’72 and Ray Weaver ’68.

1969

Roy Riegel is working for a small consulting and software company in Scottsdale, Ariz., as a software engineer. While teaching high school physics and astronomy in 2003-2005, he was selected for the NOAO TLRBSE (Teacher Leaders Through Research Based Science Education) program and spent two weeks learning and observing at Kitt Peak National Observatory in Tucson. Roy and his wife Patrice (married 26 years) have three daughters, all in college.

Charles Wilson celebrated 25 years with Merrill Lynch. His daughter Elizabeth Wilson completed her medical training and is now a medical doctor.

Edward Hoehing retired after 31 years as a teacher and school counselor in the Methacton School District near Norristown, Pa.

1970s

1971

Ronald Kreitz (’74) and his wife Lauren welcomed their first grandchild, Jaxon Kreitz Kimball, on Aug. 24, 2007. Jaxon is the son of Amy and Jake Kimball. Amy is a current graduate student at KU.

Whitehall-Coplay School District inducted John Bendekovits into their athletic Hall of Fame on January 25. He was a long time football coach, and as head coach, he lead Whitehall to a District II 4A title in 1989.

Janet (Fasching) Kern retired after 35 years as an English teacher in the Northern Lehigh School District. She enjoys traveling and reconnecting with old friends.

Carla (McIlhaney) Messinger’s book “When the Shadbush Blooms” won the Children’s Choice Book Award and has been named to this year’s list of Best Children’s Books by the Bank Street College Children’s Book Committee.

1972

Gail Louise (Endy) Row retired in December 2007 after 35 years of teaching K-2 at Exeter Township School District.

Robert Heavener retired from Allentown School District and accepted a one semester position (spring 2008) as a student teaching supervisor with the KU Department of History.
1973

**Chris Pavlides** is the executive director of the Innovation and Entrepreneurship Institute and the Mid Atlantic Venture Forum of the Fox School of Business at Temple University. He is also the founder and chairman of the Greater Philadelphia Senior Executive Group. His wife **Charlotte (Nagy) Pavlides '72 & '74** is a middle school world cultures teacher at Tatnall School in Wilmington, Del.

1975


1976

**Dolores Fidishun** was awarded the Career Achievement Award in Women's Studies Librarianship by the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of American Library Association.

**James Risko** published a technical article in the February 2007 Fluid Controls Institute Steam Trap Section titled “Effective Drainage of Condensing Equipment.” He also published an article in the November 2006 Chemical Engineering Magazine titled “Handle Steam More Intelligently.”

1978

**Darlene Krause-Clemence** won her ninth free car from Mary Kay: a Saturn Aura XE sedan. This is the reward for leading women and men who succeed in their careers; as a senior director, she trains and motivates more than 97 consultants.

**Arthur F. (Jay) Barker** entered the U.S. Army as a second lieutenant, Signal Corps. He was stationed at Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Gordon, Ga.; and Fort Bragg, N.C.; as well as overseas in Germany, Korea, and Thailand. He fought in Desert Storm in 1991 with 3rd Special Forces Group. He retired in 1998 after a tour in the Pentagon on the U.S. Joint Staff. Barker is now working in the telecommunications industry. He is married to Diane Keeley and they have three grown daughters, Tiffany, Keeley, and Kelsey. Barker has a painting Web site www.groundunderscapes.com and a hobby Web site www.28thmasscob.org.

1979

**Claire Hagerty**’s son Gerard has been drafted by the Philadelphia Phillies. He is playing with their farm team the Clearwater Phillies.

**Dale Julian-Bierce** is the director of West Side Dance Center in Randolph, N.J. He also teaches and choreographs numbers for their performing troupe.

1980s

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Artist **Bruce Checefsky** had work included in the Ohio Arts Council’s Riffe Gallery exhibition “Connection II: Ohio Artists Abroad.” The show ran from Jan. 24 through April 6.

1981

**Ilene (Kaplan) Sauertieg** was recently honored for 25 years with the Pennsylvania Optometric Association where she is the director of education and conference. Sauertieg plans educational conferences, seminars and exhibits for the 1,200 members (doctors of optometry) of the association.

**Daryl (Shore) Land** completed additional training and is an accredited buyer’s representative and senior real estate specialist (ABR-SRES). She specializes in working with seniors.

**Marjorie (Bender) Stevens** traveled to Alaska in July 2007. Her trip included a visit to the Wrangell Public Library.

**Tom Preiser** graduated in 2001 from Monmouth University with a master’s degree in criminal justice. He has been married to Janet Paulson for 16 years and has two children, Brian (14) and Hannah (12).

1983

While participating as a visiting artist at the College of Design in North Carolina, **Vicki (Tyndall) DaSilva** painted the North Carolina Courthouse lawn red. She accomplished this through her use of long exposure photography and eight-foot compact fluorescent bulbs on metal tracks. Her other work can be found at www.vickidasilva.com.

1984

**Susan (Smith) Klinger** had her painting “Morning Blush” accepted into the Fourth Annual Northeast National Pastel Exhibition. Hardcastle Gallery, in Centerville, Del., represents and exhibits Klinger’s work regularly. Recent work may also be viewed at www.susanklinger.com.

**James (Jim) Gray** is happily married with three boys.

1985

**Margaret (Peggy Mericle) Hoppes** lives in Texas with her husband and two teenage children. She is a writer and Web site manager for a daily Christian devotional, www.awordfortoday.org.

1986

AxD Gallery in Philadelphia exhibited a solo show of **Vincent McLoughlin’s** work “Red Yellow Blue.” His exhibit ran from Jan. 25 through Feb. 23.

1987

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**Style 615 magazine featured Rhonda (Williams) Colley** in their Fall 2007 issue. Colley makes unique, one-of-a-kind, vintage jewelry that can be found in upscale boutiques throughout Nashville, Tenn., and at www.myspace.com/rhondacolleyaccessories. After graduating from KU, **Perihan Nilay (Doganalp) Eksioglu** returned to Istanbul and studied for two more years to receive her master’s in psychology from Bosphorus University. She has been a lecturer at Marmara University for 15 years and also worked as a counselor in many private schools in Istanbul. Since 2002, Eksioglu has been working as an assistant principal in an Austrian school in Istanbul. She is married with one son who will be attending Bosphorus University this fall.

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1990s

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Carrie (Donald) Carroll is married to Jim Carroll ’90, and they have four daughters. Carroll graduated from Widener Law in 1996. She and her husband have their own law firm, Carroll and Carroll PC.

Alexandra Koslow has a new novel titled, “Slacker Girl,” and she is currently adapting a screenplay from her book.

1992

Kelly Carruthers and her husband John Jackson own North Mountain Vineyards located in Mauertown, Va.

Sandra (Tutko) Pepoli earned a second masters in communication disorders from West Chester University in December 2007. She works with Autism Spectrum Disorders and Asperger’s Syndrome in the Cumberland Valley School District. She and her husband Anthony Pepoli ’89 will celebrate their 15th wedding anniversary on June 26. They have two children, Joshua (11) and Giannalise (9).

Michael Mannicci lives in Bethlehem with his wife Debra (Wehr) Mannicci of 15 years. They have three boys, Corey (14), Ty (12), and Aaron (9).

1993

Kimberly (Smith) Hilsenbeck was promoted to senior research associate II at NuStats LLC, in Austin, Texas. She celebrated her 10th year with NuStats in May. Hilsenbeck, her husband, and two children live outside of Austin.

Rayshawn (Garnes) Lockhart married Randy Lockhart Jr. in June 1995. Their daughter Brandy was born in July 1996 and their son Noah was born in July 1999. She has been teaching for the Wake County Public School System in Raleigh, N.C., since 1994. Lockhart also became a National Board Certified Teacher in December 2007.

1994

Dr. Franklin C. Brown has recently opened a neuropsychology clinic in Keene, N.H., and is an assistant clinical professor in the Department of Neurosurgery at Yale University.

Marygrace (McDowell) Anderson moved to Jamestown, N.Y., in December 2006 with her husband Eric and two sons, Beck (7) and Jacob (5). She is teaching art at Jamestown School District.

1995

Lisa (Manzo) Carlee is a senior manager in supply chain at Alcatel-Lucent. She lives with her husband and two children in Macungie, Pa. She also enjoys coming back to KU to speak to students about the supply chain industry.

Diane (Quinn) Nardella lives in an Atlanta suburb with her husband Mike and two sons, Mikey and Brady. She is a stay-at-home mom and works part time for the Chamber of Commerce as an area representative for the new homeowners’ business connection.

Cherie Crosby completed her master’s program in curriculum and instruction in April. She is also raising funds for the Susan G. Komen three-day breast cancer walk in Philadelphia in October. If you would like to donate, visit http://08.thel3day.org/goto/ccrosby.

Christopher Leese is married to Ann K. Kratzer ’96, and they have two children, Eric (born 11/19/03) and Emma (born 10/12/05). Leese is teaching seventh and eighth grade science at South Middleton School District in Boiling Springs.

1996

Christell Berger is the regional sales director for the west coast for United Essentials, an innovation group of United Health Care.

Todd DiCiurcio, as featured in Paper Magazine in April, uses live theatrical/concert events for his subject matter in painting and drawing. He completed his first edition for “In the Heights,” a new Broadway musical, as commissioned by producer Jeffery Seller (“RENT,” “Avenue Q”). His prints were available as VIP gifts opening night. For the printing, DiCiurcio worked with Alexander Heinrici, who in turn worked with Andy Warhol in the 80s, and famous artist and Kutztown native Keith Haring. DiCiurcio is also planning his first solo exhibition.

1997

Sarah Darnley lives in a lovely new home with her son Cole (5) and daughter Chloe (3).

Whitehall-Coplay School District inducted Lorie (Erie) Schmalzle into their athletic Hall of Fame on January 25. She was also inducted into KU and Lehigh Valley Softball halls of fame. At KU, she was an All-American and rewrote the Golden Bears’ offensive record books.

1999

Hope (Emerson) Proctor married her KU sweetheart Shawn Proctor in 1999. They have a son Colin Arlo (6) and a daughter Molly Jayne (2).

Adrienne (Caffey) Mezger moved to Pittsburgh in 2005 with her husband Jim. They were married on Nov. 4, 2006. She is working as an educational coach in Pittsburgh Public School’s Early Childhood Department. Her husband graduated from the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine in May.

Jean Hornberger has been hired as the new business manager for the Ephrata Area School District in Lancaster County.

John Whitman married Gretchen Barnes on June 16, 2002. Just before their marriage, he adopted his wife’s daughter, Jenna. They bought a house in Marion, S.C. He has been teaching in Mullins, S.C., since 2001. He teaches 11 different art electives and received the 2006 Teacher of the Year Award in his high school.

2000s

2000

Faye Brown is an international nurse educator with Friends in Action International, an adjunct faculty member at Harrisburg Area Community College in Lancaster, Pa., and a staff nurse in the Emergency Department at Ephrata Community Hospital in Ephrata, Pa. Brown has developed an eBook titled “IDT Guide (Internal Diagnosis and Treatment Guide).” She is the author, Will Jefferson of the KU Learning Technology Department is the software developer, and Jamie Meecham is the Web designer. To view the eBook, go to www.idtguide.com.
Lisa (Dolcin) Jordan is the new managing director of the Touchstone Theatre in Bethlehem.

2001

Elena (Kollias) Elliott and her husband Michael are expecting a child in July.

Susan Paden is working as a nurse liaison at Good Shepherd Specialty Hospital.

Paige (Brown) O’Keffe is the head K-5 art teacher for two elementary schools in Great Valley School District. She is also a senior independent representative for Silpada Jewelry Designs.

2002

Lauren L. Fitzsimons is engaged to be married to James T. Broome Jr. on Oct. 18.

2004

Timothy Kast and his wife Jacqueline (Woodward) were married on July 21, 2007. The couple met at KU in 2002. Many alumni were a part of the wedding party. Christine Woodward ‘04 was the maid of honor. Among the bridesmaids were Jennifer Morasco ‘04, Christine (Richar) Graber ‘04 and Heather Walter ‘06. Bill Templin ‘04 was the best man and one of the groomsmen was Steve Fariss ‘04.

Rachel A. Chambers is currently living in Philadelphia. She and her business partner, Bill McConney, have their own graphic/web design business titled Tiny Elephant Designs. Chambers is an adjunct faculty member at KU in the Fine Arts Department. She also teaches fibers courses in the Philadelphia area. She is a member of the Surcle Gallery in Philadelphia, and exhibits in numerous galleries.

2005

Renee Fox is engaged to Danielle Mosco ‘04, and they are planning a fall civil union.

2006

Megan Maloney is enrolled in a master’s program in higher education administration.

These alumni participated in a panel discussion about communication careers for 40 seniors enrolled in Spring 2008 Professional Writing Seminar (left to right): Lisa Mitchell '01, Kutztown Patriot Editor; Kathleen Bittner ’07, KU University Relations Office; Clint Weiler ’01, MVD Entertainment Group; Julie Urbansky ’00, Sprint Nextel; and Christopher Tiefel ’07, The Reading Hospital and Medical Center.

Marriages

1990’s

Gretchen (Brant) ’92 to Kenneth Olewiler ’92, 11/07

2000’s

Danielle (Clee) to Daniel Price ’04, 12/8/07

Bryn (Grothman) to Joshua Hoyt ’02, 11/23/07

Jessica (Hill) ’05 to Nathaniel Tulli, 7/21/07

Elena (Kollias) ’01 & ’06 to Michael Elliott, 12/9/06

Erin (Leyhan) ’03 to Matthew Pero ’03, 12/9/06

Angela (Neas) ’00 to James Ennis ’00, 7/21/07

Erica (Praedin) ’00 to Jason Voll, 10/20/07

Holly (Reczek) ’06 to Michael Martin, 10/20/07

Laura (Rokus) ’05 to Michael Wielenga, 10/28/07

Births

1990’s

Kimberley (Antonucci) ’94 and Corey Vaughan, a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, 5/18/07

Deborah (LaFiura) ’98 and Anthony Melson, a daughter, Jillian Eleanor, 11/27/07

Shannon (Marcus) ’98 and Douglas Maines, a daughter, Ella Grace, 9/23/07

Kelly (McLain) ’92 and Andrew Samuelsen, a son, Brayden Andrew, 11/12/07

Megan (Owens) ’98 and Jim Lang, a daughter, Sarah Alison, 2/19/07

Kiersten (Tuerff) ’96 and David Hafer, Jr., a daughter, Natalie Ella, 11/23/07

2000’s

Angel (Strelish) ’01 and James Noone, a son, James John, 4/23/2007

Anna and Alex Moyer ‘05, a son, Kaden William, 12/11/07

In Memory

1932

Arlene (Fenstermaker) Long 10/11/06

1934

Erma (Metzger) Frey 12/3/07

1935

Kathryn (Williams) Coxon 7/14/07

1940

Robert Gledhill 12/13/07

1942

Jean (Stout) Fritzinger 12/11/07

1946

Norene (DeLong) Pollock 12/8/07

1949

June Baskin 11/25/07

1953

John Romanik 11/26/07

1955

Susan Oermann 12/2/06

1968

Diane (Brown) Clauss 12/17/07

Raymond Gutekunst 1/26/08

Patricia (Lynn) Rader 11/22/07

1969

Elizabeth Pavel 2/20/08

1971

Douglas Stettler 12/23/07

1973

Geoffrey Lucas 12/15/06

Daniel Sigley 2/4/08

JoAnn (Weinhold) Buonincontri 3/16/06

1974

Ammon Nein, Jr. 2/10/08

1976

Jacque Stewart 1/27/08

1985

Karen Bell 1/28/08

Emeriti

Adriana Cortes-Hwang 1/29/08
AN INVITATION TO SHARE MEMORIES OF THE 1960s

For me, it is hard to believe that so many years have passed since our college days!

It was a much different college when we arrived on the Kutztown campus in the 60s.

My first year ('61), Dean “Papa Bear” White welcomed the men to Rothermel Hall, a new men’s dorm. But the women were still sequestered above Old Main under the watchful eye of Dean Marietta P. King, with strictly enforced curfews.

We had just become the Golden Bears of KSC, and were no longer the Golden Avalanche. Our basketball gym was a tiny box with a linoleum floor with very close seating and noisy fans.

The swimming pool seemed even smaller. I believe the building is now Risley Hall.

Every day during the semester, after waiting in the Old Main Blue Room, a chime allowed a student stampede into the Georgian Dining Hall for dinner, which was served by student waiters and waitresses – each serving two 10-person tables. Believe me, those of us who served got to know everyone on campus and the dining hall became the social hub for rumor central.

Chez Nous and the student center were the on-campus gathering sites. Off campus, we hung out at the PA House with Fats, ate greasy breakfasts at Rudy’s, made food runs to the Airport Diner and the Suburban, had picnics at the Viking Camp, partied at the Old Mill, and in general, had a blast! Oh, and most of us earned our degree and graduated.

Enough about some of my recollections, here is the real reason for writing. This is an invitation for fellow KU students of the 1960s to come together this fall during the football game with Shippensburg University on October 11.

Some of us have gathered infrequently in the past several years, and our format is simple: everyone is welcome for any or all of our plans. A block of rooms will be booked at a motel near Fogelsville for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights. We will reserve a local restaurant for dinner on Friday, and we plan to reserve a room at the Kutztown Tavern (where the old hardware store was in our day) for after the game on Saturday.

We will need a firm head count prior to all of these functions to assure good service. Basically, we will meet, greet, and tell stories.

This year, Bonnie (Burke) Perkins and other classmates celebrating the 40th reunion of the KU class of 1968, will join us as special guests.

Special thanks to Glenn Godshall, director of Alumni Relations, for his assistance. I can be reached for questions at 803-238-2749 (cell) or 828-625-3322 at home. E-mail me at REGANBJ8@aol.com.

I hope we will see you and your friends this fall!

— Bob Regan ’65
hindsight

Our readers had a lot of fun with the picture of the four students posing in their saddle shoes and bobby socks in the last issue, so here is another unique photo of students. This is a “mystery” picture from the KU archives and has no documentation to go with the photograph. Notice the Kutztown football team in the background. If anyone knows who these students are (or will admit to being one of the clowns pictured), please feel free to write. Submissions to Hindsight are always welcome. Send to Craig Williams, Tower editor, Kutztown University, P.O. Box 730, Kutztown, PA19530 or cwilliam@kutztown.edu. For the answer to the Winter ’08 Hindsight photo, please turn to page 23.